



Southdale
C of E Junior school



Prospectus

2019-20



'Shining like stars in the universe'

Philippians 2:15

Welcome to the Southdale family!



We know how important transition to a new school is, and our aim is to make the next stages of your child's educational journey rich in experiences and as memorable as possible. This is just the beginning of our relationship with you and your family. We all look forward to getting to know you, and your child, in the coming months.

I hope that you find this prospectus informative and if there is anything you need further clarification with, our door is always open.

Mrs K Partington, Headteacher.

Southdale
Junior

Southdale has been a church school ever since it became a Junior School.

Our partnership with Christ Church South Ossett is a very important part of school life.

Our Christian ethos can be found across the whole curriculum, in our creativity and our journey of discovery. Our Christian values underpin the life of the school and can be found in how we relate to one another within the school community, nurturing Christian values such as encouragement, empathy, forgiveness and respect.

All these things help us to be the 'Southdale Family' where friendship and care for each other are an integral part of our learning and school day.

Southdale Governing Body



OUR VISION

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Our number one aim for our Southdale family, is that we shine like stars in the universe in everything we do – we refer to this as the 'Southdale Sparkle'.

We like a challenge, never give up easily and have the highest expectations of ourselves and others.

Our Christian values underpin the life of our school and we constantly show kindness and respect, so that everyone feels happy, safe and valued.



OUR AIMS

- To have a curriculum which is **rich in experiences**, whilst exploring themes which deepen thinking, so children can be the best they can be.
- To cultivate a **caring community with a Christian ethos**, in which people of all faiths and beliefs feel secure, calm, valued and respected. A community in which individuality is valued and everyone can work as a team, supporting, encouraging and praising all achievement - creating a happy, caring school, where success is celebrated and mistakes are learned from.
- To provide an **outstanding education** for all children through a curriculum that is exciting, stimulating, challenging, and which builds self-confidence.
- To provide **high quality teaching and learning** for all pupils, at all stages of their learning.
- To **raise standards of attainment** through secure progress for all children.
- To secure the **best quality teaching and learning** for children and young people through a sustainable model of developing support staff, teaching assistants, teachers and school leaders.
- To establish a **modern, vibrant and inspiring learning environment** in which the physical, personal, social and intellectual potential of all members of the school community are developed to the full.
- To strive for excellence and set the **highest expectations** for all members of the school community.
- To sustain a **community spirit**, with parents, pupils and staff working in partnership, and with respect for each other.

Ensuring our children are 'fit for their future'

During their time at Southdale, we will ensure that every child will:

- Feel loved, cared for, valued and happy
- Be respected, listened to and safe
- Take part in a public performance & presentation
- Have opportunities for their work to be displayed in school
- Have the opportunity to create visual media
- Collaborate with children in other schools
- Take part in educational visits that enhance learning
- Experience outdoor education during residential visits
- Use a diverse range of software in creative ways
- Participate in a wide range of sporting activities and play as part of a team
- Learn how to swim
- Further develop their literacy, numeracy and computing skills
- Learn how to create a functional item for a specific purpose
- Learn and apply cooking and nutrition skills
- Grow, tend and nurture a plant
- Be prepared for an emergency
- Learn a language
- Have responsibility and act as a leader
- Experience live music
- Learn to recycle, reduce waste and learn about sustainability
- Enjoy a hands-on musical curriculum and learn to play musical instruments
- Learn road safety
- Visit a place of worship
- Raise money for charity
- Learn by doing and participating
- Work independently, as part of a group, the class or school team
- Share learning with parents and family members
- Take part in opportunities to develop self-confidence and self-worth
- Have ownership of their learning
- Contribute ideas and skills across a range of topics
- Have a thirst for, and love of learning



During their time at Southdale every child will take part in a public performance...

Our curriculum is exciting, meaningful and relevant.

Our approaches to Teaching and Learning lead to high engagement within a narrative curriculum. We know that outstanding teaching is the key to outstanding learning, within a curriculum where we engage our learners. On a daily basis, we endeavour to inspire, engage and challenge within learning experiences that are enriched with excitement and variation.

Southdale provides a lively environment for your child to have rich experiences in: computing, music, art, drama, dance, sports, and so much more. We also promote an understanding and respect for our diverse, multi-cultural world.

The school is proud to provide immersive education, where children spend the full afternoon working on a range of activities and tasks linked to a single narrative immersion. This form of teaching supports pupils in their learning of history, geography, science and sports.

We will also provide pupils with the opportunity to cook in our own cookery room and take part in gardening, forest schools, outdoor learning and wildlife projects through our outdoors areas.

Educational Visits

Day visits are organised for each year group, supporting learning in history, science, geography and religious education. We also organise residential visits for our Year 3, 4, 5 and Year 6 children.

Y3 - Lineham Farm

Y4 - Robinwood

Y5 - Whitby

Y6 - France and Belgium

Extra-Curricular Activities

We further enrich the curriculum by providing a variety of lunch time and after school activities including clubs for Football, Netball, gymnastics, dance, drama, choir, computing cooking and birdwatching.



*We believe
that the education
provided at Southdale
fully prepares our children
to continue their
journey of success
at secondary school.*



Our Staff Team

Headteacher:

Mrs K. Partington

Deputy Headteacher:

Mrs R Mohebi

Year 4 Leader and SENCO:

Mrs R Randall

Year 3 leader:

Miss L Stott

School Business Manager:

Mrs S Jones

Teaching Staff

Mr E Biltcliffe

Mrs R Donnelly

Miss K Dyer

Mr M Fox

Mrs S Garnett

Mrs J Gray-Battye

Mrs L Helliwell

Mr A Mills

Mrs R Randall

Miss Z Ryan

Miss L Stott

Miss J Townend (maternity leave)

Miss E Zeller

Support Staff

Mrs S Burrill

Mrs S Chalkley

Mrs J Cooper (HLTA)

Mrs J Dundon

Miss C Feather

Miss D Freeman

Mrs V McGuirk

Miss C Noonan (HLTA)

Mrs J Skipworth (HLTA)

Mrs V Smith

Mrs J Smithson

Mrs A Thomas (HLTA)

Mrs C Wilson (HLTA)

Miss J Woolley

Learning Mentor:

Miss R Mallas

Lunchtime Supervisors

Miss V Davies

Mrs S Gibbins

Mrs C Nash

Mr J Nash

Mrs D Porteus

Mrs G Shortland

Admin. Staff:

Mrs A Payne and Mrs J Townend

Caretaker:

Mr S Dundon

Our Governing Body

Chair:

Mr V Foster (Co-opted)

Vice Chair:

Mr S Hogger (Co-opted)

Mrs K. Partington
(Headteacher)

Mrs R Mohebi
(Deputy Headteacher)

Mrs W Anderson (Parent)

Miss A Bentley (Co-opted)

Mrs J Bootland (Parent)

Mrs M Cammack (Co-opted)

Mr A Falconer (Parent)

Mr V Foster (Co-opted)

Mr D Frimpong-Manso
(Co-opted)

Mr S Hogger (Co-opted)

Mrs S Jones (Co-opted)

Mrs G Robertson (Foundation)

Miss L Stott (Staff Governor)

Term dates 2019-20

| Autumn Term 2019 | |
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| Monday 2 September | INSET DAY |
| Tuesday 3 September | School opens |
| Thursday 24 October | School closes for half term |
| Friday 25 October | INSET DAY |
| Monday 4 November | School opens |
| Friday 20 December | School closed for the Christmas Holidays |
| Spring Term 2020 | |
| Monday 6 January | School opens |
| Thursday 13 February | School closes for half term |
| Friday 14 February | INSET DAY |
| Monday 24 February | School opens |
| Friday 3 April | School closes for Easter Holidays |
| Summer Term 2020 | |
| Tuesday 20 April | School opens |
| Thursday 7 May | INSET DAY |
| Friday 8 May | BANK HOLIDAY |
| Friday 22 May | School closes for half term |
| Monday 1 June | School opens |
| Friday 17 July | School closes for Summer Holidays |
| Monday 20 July | INSET DAY |

Policies

All key school policies are available on the school web site (www.southdalecofe.co.uk) including Admissions, Charging, Safeguarding & Child Protection, Complaints, and Behaviour & Discipline.



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